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Atsushi KASHIHARA) Group Art Unit: 2625
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ITS CONTROL METHOD)

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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Sir:

In compliance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 and in accordance with the practice under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, the Examiner's attention is directed to the documents listed on the enclosed Form PTO-1449. Copies of the listed documents are enclosed, along with English Abstracts that Applicant believes sufficiently summarize the disclosed subject matter.

These documents may be pertinent because they were cited in a Office Action issued in a counterpart Japanese Patent Application on April 18, 2006. A copy of the Office Action is enclosed for the Examiner's convenience.

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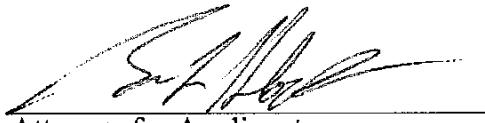
Each item of information in this information disclosure statement was first cited in any communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application not more than three months prior to the filing date of this Statement.

CONCLUSION

It is respectfully requested that the above information be considered by the Examiner and that a copy of the enclosed Form PTO-1449 be returned indicating that such information has been considered.

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